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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PORG, MARR, UNSC, LE, IS
SUBJECT: UNIFIL DEVELOPMENTS MAY 1

1. UN SOURCE HAS CONFIRMED THAT THREE SENEGALESE SOLDIERS WERE KILLED AND ONE WOUNDED WHEN THEIR JEEP HIT A MINE ON A DIRT TRACK AT 0815 LOCAL MAY 1 AT 1733/2944 ABOUT THREE KILOMETERS DUE EAST OF AR RASHIDIYAH.

2. ON EVENING OF APRIL 30 AROUND 2300, FRENCH UNIFIL FORCES KILLED TWO ARMED INFILTRATORS GOING FROM WEST TO EAST AT 1745/2974, ACCORDING TO SOURCE. FRENCH
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FIRE WARNING SHOTS AT GROUP OF UNIDENTIFIED PEOPLE, WHEN THEY REFUSED TO STOP, FRENCH FIRED AT GROUP KILLING TWO, OTHERS DISAPPEARED.

3. SOURCE NOTES THAT GENERAL ERSKINE WENT TO NEW YORK MAY 1 TO SEE WALDHEIM TO DISCUSS PRIMARILY QUESTION OF UNIFIL FORCE SIZE AND HEADQUARTERS LOCATION--HE EXPLAINS

THAT UNNY CONTINUES TO FAVOR ZAHRANI WHILE SIILASVUO AND UNFIL PREFER NAQOURA.

4. CURRENT UNFIL STRENGTH FIGURE TOTALS 3838 WITH 30 NIGERIANS, WHO ARRIVED IN BEIRUT, BEING LATEST ADDTION. FOLLOWING ARE NATIONAL TOTALS:

FRENCH BATTALION ---- 729; FRENCH SUPPORT 504

NORWEGIAN BATTALION --- 691; NORWEGIAN SUPPORT TROOPS 201

IRANIANS --- 68 (COMPANY PRESENTLY BEING REPLACED BY NEW COMPANY AND IS DOWN IN STRENGTH)

NEPALESE BATTALION --- 642

SWEDISH --- 209

SENEGALESE BATTALION --- 641

CANADIAN --- 91

NIGERIAN --- 30

UNMO'S --- 32

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5. AS FINAL POINT, SOURCE ADDED THAT THERE ARE NOW 25 LEBANESE GENDARMES ASSOCIATED WITH UNIFIL -- 13 WITH THE NIGERIAN AND 12 WITH THE FRENCH.
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